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Hollis's book on the Nandi. I have left them just as they were written in the first instance, as it would seem an additional proof (if any be needed) that the *Mósiro* and the Nandi are very closely related. On checking them over with the *Mósiro* and with Hollis's book before me, I am not inclined to think that the *Mósiro* words could more accurately be written by conforming more closely to Hollis's Nandi spelling. The language of the *Mósiro*, though undoubtedly at one time pure Nandi, has become, owing to Masai and other influences, considerably modified, and I think that a *Mósiro* from Tabosai and a Nandi might have some difficulty in understanding each other if brought face to face.

The difficulty of setting down verbal forms which sound extremely alike and which appear to vary only owing to the different intonation in individual voices will be readily appreciated by all who have ever attempted the task. In addition, the *Mósiro* is no respecter of persons, in the sense that "ye want" and "they want" are more or less the same to him. He rarely troubles to be accurate about his verbs (the same remark holds good when he is speaking Kiswahili), merely differentiating between the singular and plural and leaving it to the context to elucidate the precise meaning.

Very few examples are given. It was thought that a longer and more detailed list was outside the scope of a brief and unscientific paper of this nature.

[1] The Masai, Turkana and Turkana names given above have been taken from Mr Charles Hobley's publication, "A Tribal Map of British East Africa and Uganda." The Masai and Nandi names have been taken from Hollis and Hobley respectively. The Masai and Nandi names are given in the phonetic spelling adopted by those authors. The Turkana names are given as I myself have heard them.

[2] The first is a 3rd pers. sing. subject + objective.
[3] The same applies as in No. 2, but with reflexive instead of objective.
[4] The same applies as in No. 2, but with 1st pers. sing. objective.

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